RELEASES

SEPT. '85

Hex!

Gunfighter of the Apocalypse

Premiere Issue! A mad collector zaps legendary gunfighter and bounty hunter Jonah Hex into the 21st century for his "live" toy soldier collection. Post-nuclear civilization is a far cry from 1875 and Jonah scrambles to stay alive. Savagery and conquest is the name of ***everyone's*** game in this ravaged world where anarchy prevails, gangs roam everywhere, and uncontaminated water is the most precious commodity there is!

Things don't get any easier for Hex when he falls for Stiletta, post-nuclear beauty and member of the deadly knife-wielding motorgang "The Road Reapers." It's fast action and all-out battles when Jonah trades in his cowboy suit for leathers and becomes a 21st century renegade! Jam-packed with adventure, ***Hex*** is written by Michael Fleisher, with art by Mark Texeira, and cover by Texeira and Klaus Janson.

FREE

FROM DC COMICS AND YOUR LOCAL COMIC BOOK STORE!

The Powers and the Gory!

Return to a Classic ... because you demanded it! Jack Kirby, creator of ***The New Gods*** brings you another ***Super Powers™*** mini-series. In the *first* of six Kirby exclusives, the super-hero greats lock horns with the dreaded Darkseid. Once again, the scourge of the universe and his evil minions are on a rampage of destruction, and this time, they've got an incredible weapon! Whose powers can possibly search out and stop their "seeds of destruction" from sprouting on planet Earth? ***Super Powers™ #1*** is scripted by Paul Kupperberg, with art and cover by Jack Kirby and Greg Theakston.

Sept. Listings

May 14th/June 6th

DC Comics Presents #85 —Two ***DC*** *superstars* meet! It's a rescue job for Swamp Thing when Superman is struck with Scarlet Jungle fever! Suspense and drama are rampant in this story by the dynamic Alan Moore, with stunning art by Rick Veitch and Al Williamson.

Best of DC Digest #64 —Continuing the exciting exploits of Superboy and the *Legion of Super-Heroes* with "the *Moby Dick* of Space"! Story by Jerry Siegel and Edmond Hamilton, illustrated by a galaxy of artists.

Justice League of America #242 —The League battles Amazo ... and a broken heart! Aquaman can no longer live without Mera! But can he win her back? Written by Gerry Conway, penciled by George Tuska, and inked by Mike Machlan. Cover by Chuck Patton and Machlan.

Vigilante #21 —*Nightwing* guest stars as the Vigilante continues his murderous streak! Can he be stopped? Scripted by Paul Kupperberg, with art and cover by Todd Smith and Rick Magyar. *Deluxe format.*

Deadman #5 *mini-series*—Tiny is dying. The only one who can save him is a dead man. Deadman! By the astounding Neal Adams. ***Plus:*** A second story featuring ... who? That's right—*Batman! Deluxe reprint.*

Tales of the Teen Titans #57–Part two of the Titans versus the *new* Fearsome Five. By Marv Wolfman, with art by Chuck Patton and Mike DeCarlo, and cover by Patton and Dick Giordano.

Losers Special #1 —A brand-new, 40-page tale based on events from ***Crisis #3***! Captain Storm, Johnny Cloud, Gunner, Sarge, and Pooch rally for action in a story by Bob Kanigher. Art by Sam Glanzman and cover by Joe Kubert.

Fury of Firestorm #39—Ronnie plays detective and uncovers the link between the Weasel and his victims; an exciting battle between Firestorm and the Weasel leads to the Weasel's *true* identity! And look at this team: Story by Gerry Conway, pencils by Rafael Kayanan and Mike Chen, inks by Ian Akin and Brian Garvey. Cover by Kayanan.

Crisis on Infinite Earths #6 *maxi-series*—Our heroes and villains converge to become a single, incredible force. In #6 of the *Big 12,* the heroes of Earths 1 & 2 unite to save Earths C, X, and S! Marv Wolfman scripts the most spectacular series in comic book history, so don't miss it! Dazzling art by George Perez and Jerry Ordway and cover by Perez.

May 21st/June 13th

Red Tornado #3 *mini-series*—Story by Kurt Busiek, art by Carmine Infantino and Frank McLaughlin. Number three of a four-parter. Kathy struggles to elude the Construct's enslaving will and desperately seeks out her (and Humanity's) *only* hope. Is the Red Tornado too bitter to respond?

Batman #387 —A wild battle and a final *showdown!* The final fate of the evil Black Mask. By Doug Moench, with art and cover by Tom Mandrake.

The Flash #349 —By Cary Bates, with art by Carmine Infantino and Frank McLaughlin. Cover by Infantino and Klaus Janson. A new twist as one of the jurors abducts Flash and makes a startling revelation.

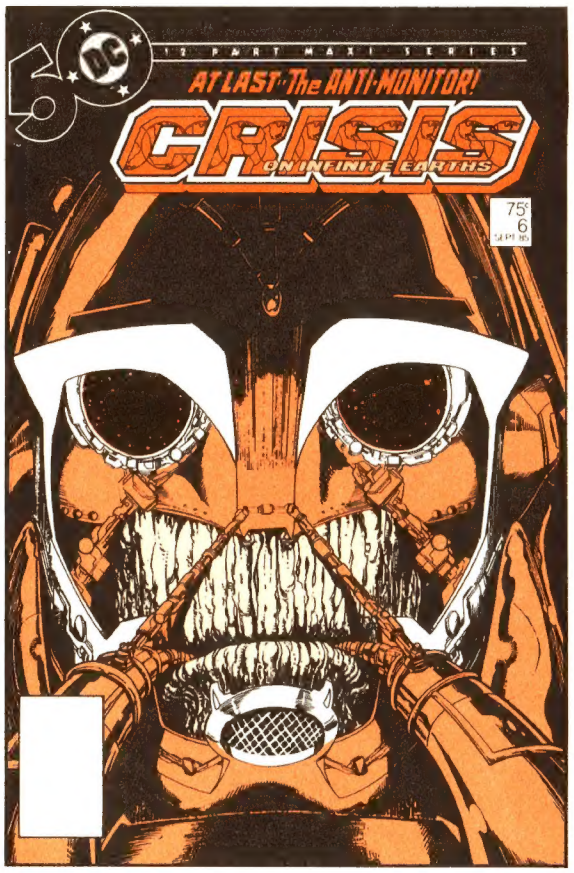
Superman #411 —Clark Kent—still unemployed—befriends another ex-employee while Luthor begins phase-two of his revenge plan. By writer Cary Bates and artists Curt Swan and Al Williamson. Cover by Klaus Janson.

Star Trek® #18—Scotty isn't in such a hurry to be beamed up *this time!* Paul Kupperberg tells us all about Scotty's merry, mysterious shore leave, and artists Tom Sutton and Ricardo Villagran illustrate his adventures. Cover by Sutton and Klaus Janson.

Amethyst #9—The *true* origin of Gemworld is revealed in this two-part episode. Story by Dan Mishkin and Gary Cohn, with art by Amethyst co-creator Ernie Colon. Inked by Romeo Tanghal. Cover by Paris Cullins and Tanghal.

G.I. Combat #279—This jam-packed issue features three more gutsy and gruesome war tales, including *The Haunted Tank.* Robert Kanigher writes and Sam Glanzman pencils and inks, with a cover by Joe Kubert. ***And:*** As if that weren't enough—a second story by Kanigher and E. R. Cruz.

Arak, Son of Thunder #48—By Roy and Dann Thomas, with art and cover by Tony DeZuniga and Carmine Infantino. What was at first an adventure now seems like sure and sheer death. Arak's China experience must end.



Omega Men #30 —The gripping and fantastical conclusion of the Wombworld saga, including—the origin of the Psions and a strange new Primus. By Todd Klein, with art by Shawn McManus and Bob Smith. ***Plus:*** A second story by Gary Cohn and Chuck Patton. Cover by McManus. *Deluxe format.*

N E W R E L E A S E S

Super Powers™ #1 *mini-series*—A Jack Kirby exclusive! The first of six great issues. The seeds of terror are planted by the demonic Darkseid in this superbly-detailed, extra-special ***Super Powers™ premiere issue.*** By Paul Kubbergerg, with art and cover by Jack Kirby and Greg Theakston.

The Legion of Super-Heroes #14 —Writer Paul Levitz brings you the spectacular event you've been waiting for! *New* Legionnaires join ... and just wait till you see who they are! Art and cover by Steve Lightle and Larry Mahlstedt. *Deluxe format.*

New Teen Titans Annual #1—*Knock, knock.* The Vanguard is here. Are they friend or ...? By renowned Marv Wolfman, with art and cover by Ed Hannigan and Romeo Tanghal.

May 28th/June 20th

Batman and the Outsiders #25—A mysterious ***DC*** villain *returns* and the Outsiders face their greatest challenge *ever!* By Mike W. Barr and Alan Davis.

Green Lantern #192—Steve Englehart, Joe Staton, and Bruce Patterson deliver an event that's been years in the making—the return of Star Sapphire *and* the END of Carol Ferris! Two decades of turbulent history will end and new, astonishing changes are about to burst into being, so get in on the ground floor!

Sgt. Rock #404 —For a moment, life almost seems ... *civilized* until Rock and his troops discover a horrible truth: In a war, it isn't only the enemy that can kill you! By Bob Kanigher, with art by Adrian Gonzales and cover by Joe Kubert.

Warlord #97 —Morgan gathers *all* his forces to storm the ramparts of Shamballa. Will *everything* he has be enough? By Cary Burkett. Pencils and cover by Rich Buckler, inks by Pablo Marcos.

Blue Devil #16 —It's Cassidy versus the Vanquisher, and Marta's the gal in that big gorilla's paws! The dynamic duo, Gary Cohn and Dan Mishkin, continue writing the fate of the *Big Guy.* Alan Kupperberg pencils, Rick Magyar inks, and Gary Martin and Paris Cullins "cover" it all.

Who's Who: The Definitive Directory of the DC Universe #7 *maxi-series*—Len Wein gives us D' best—from a lowdown on the *Daily Planet* to the life history of Dr. Polaris! Art by Broderick, Kubert, Kane, Stevens, Anderson, Wray (to name a few), and a cast of thousands!

Hex #1—The very ***first issue*** of a *new* monthly series! Legendary gunfighter Jonah Hex takes a little trip (or, shall we say, he's *taken* on a little trip) from the 1800's to the 21st century. As he explores this bizarre new post-nuclear world, the only thing on his mind is, can he get back to his own era? Ever? By Hex originator, Michael Fleisher. Art and cover by Mark Texeira.

Superman Annual #11—Two Britishers, Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons, team up to make a double debut with the *Man of Steel.* Bristling with action, their story guest-stars Batman, Robin, Wonder Woman, and the truly massive Monghul!

Infinity, Inc. #18—A nerve-shattering, sense-shattering conclusion to an incredible match—the Infinitors versus Mr. Bones and Helix! By Roy Thomas, with art and cover by Todd McFarlane and Tony DeZuniga. *Deluxe format.*

The New Teen Titans #12—Who is the sweet little girl haunting Dick Grayson's apartment? And ... what does she want? The astonishing answer is revealed in a story by Marv Wolfman, with art by Stan Woch.

Swamp Thing #40 -Life outside of the swamp takes its toll on Swamp Thing as he journeys across America and he stumbles into his bloodiest adventure. Werewolves and other creatures of the night creep through a story by Alan Moore, with Steven Bissette and John Totleben teaming up once again on art and cover.

June 4th/June 27th

Action Comics #571 —Brian Bolland, artist of ***Camelot,*** dreamed up this issue's mind-blowing cover and Elliot Maggin wrote the startling story. With art by Alex Saviuk and Dave Hunt.

Tales of the Legion of Super-Heroes #327—Don't miss out on Part 2 of this colossal tale! It's full-scale war as the Legion of Super-Villains set their deadly plans in action. Story by Paul Levitz, with art by Keith Giffen and Larry Mahlstedt. Cover by Mahlstedt and Steve Lightle.

Detective #554 —Doug Moench and Klaus Janson team up as Batman battles a *surprise* villain. ***Plus:*** Joey Cavalieri, Jerome Moore, and Bruce Patterson introduce the *new* Black Canary to us and ... the Green Arrow!

World's Finest #319—Our supporting cast grows leaps and bounds! The mystery of Superman's sleeplessness deepens! ***And:*** We introduce the essence of villainy—a fanatical knave, *Rem.* Story by Joey Cavalieri. Art by Jose Delbo and Alfredo Alcala.

All-Star Squadron #49—While Dr. Fate battles Wotan, the All-Stars and the Blackhawks take on "Camelot 1942"! It's super action in this wild story by Roy Thomas. Pencils and cover by Mike Harris and inks by Vince Colletta.

Arion, Lord of Atlantis #35—Inspired script and art by Paul Kupperberg and Jan Duursema. The power of black magic swirls through Atlantis and mysteriously captures its inhabitants. Can Arion stop it?

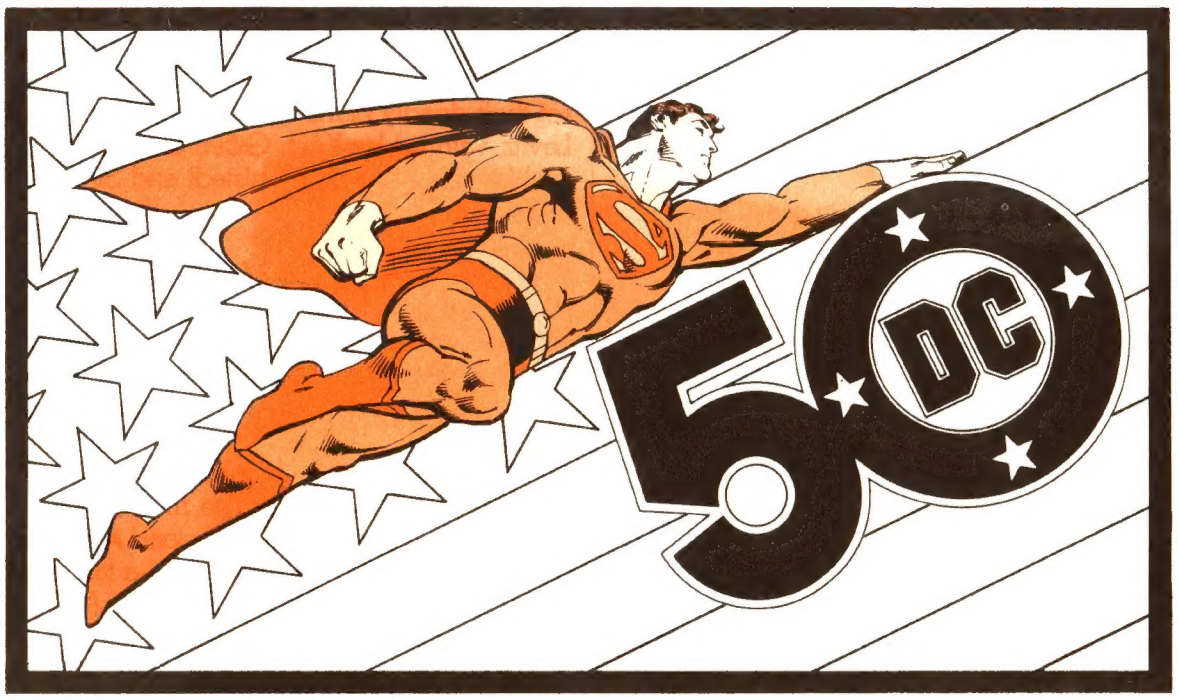
V™ #8—The fight continues! Carmine Infantino pencils and Tony DeZuniga inks in Bob Rozakis' exciting story. An invasion in Illinois brings Chris, Ham, and Robin back to the war!

Wonder Woman #327 —Earth, besieged by the Infinite Earths' Crisis, is the scene for Wonder Woman's final confrontation with Tezcatlipoca. Written by Mindy Newell, art by Don Heck, cover by Ed Barreto.

Ambush Bug #4 *mini-series*—Remember *Scabbard* from ***Thriller?*** What?! (That's O.K. Nobody else does either.) The wacky Ambush Bug introduces new zaniness in the ***last issue*** of this truly *comic* comic book. Written by Keith Giffen and Robert Loren Fleming. Art and cover by Giffen and Bob Oksner.

Batman and the Outsiders Annual #2—Attend a super wedding when Metamorpho and Sapphire Stagg tie the knot! ***Plus:*** The return of the Masters of Disaster. (Nice guys when you *don't* get to know 'em.) By Mike W. Barr, with pencils by Dave Ross, and inks by Dan Adkins. Cover by Jim Aparo.

Vigilante Annual #1—This is it! The first annual ever of the Vigilante! His predicament in this premiere issue is a whopper! The Vigilante has to clear Marcia's friend of a murder he obviously committed. By Paul Kupperberg, with art and cover by Denys Cowan and Rick Magyar.



DC People...

In the last few months I have received numerous letters from fans telling me how much they enjoy reading ***DC Releases*** every month. It's nice to know that even though ***DC Releases*** are free, they are read and passed along to other fans. And those of us at ***DC*** who work on putting these issues together every month, from Helen Vesik (layout and mechanicals) to Tom Condon (our Managing Editor), would like to thank all of you who take the time to write and let us know our efforts are appreciated. Many of you have sent letters requesting back issues. I've been able to fill most of your requests but, unfortunately, have only a limited supply myself. So, hang on to your copies! And if anyone has an extra copy of April '85, could you send it to me? (J. Maddox and Scott Nobles of Tulsa, Oklahoma, have been searching with no luck for that particular issue.) ***Thanks!***

In the meantime our ***DC*** creators are keeping the airlines in business! Fans who attended the ***I-Con*** in Stonybrook, New York, met up recently with Mike Barr, Bob Rozakis, Len Wein, Marv Wolfman, and Bob Greenberger. Marv, by the way, is still refusing to divulge any secrets regarding ***Crisis on Infinite Earths!*** Mike Barr was in the Chicago area shortly thereafter, autographing copies of ***Batman and the Outsiders*** at all the ***Amazing Fantasy*** stores. Jerry Ordway, the new inker on ***Crisis,*** made an appearance at the ***Cosmic Quest*** in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and not only talked to fans about his work but also presented a seminar on how to draw comics. And if you were at the ***Victoria Cartoon Festival*** in Canada, you finally got a chance to meet Dick Giordano, whose credits are far too numerous to list here. Look for Dan Mishkin and Dan Jurgens at the ***American Heroes Convention*** in Taylor, Michigan, on June 29th and 30th. We're especially proud of this con because the proceeds will go to the Children's Hospital in Detroit.

Before the year is out I'm sure fans from all over the country will have had a chance to attend a ***DC 50th Anniversary Party***. Parties have been scheduled at the following stores: ***The Paper Escape*** in Dixon, Illinois; ***Tim's Corner*** in Rock Island, Illinois; ***The Comic Zone*** in Louisville, Texas; ***Gem Comics*** in Elmhurst, Illinois; and ***The Bookcase*** in Clearwater, Florida. Call those stores for dates and times. Have fun!

In the past year I'm sure all of you have seen our slogan: "DC Comics—Where Legends Live." And it's true that ***DC*** is home to more legends than you can count on both hands. However, some fans may not be aware of the fact that we have another legend residing here at ***DC Comics,*** and that is our Senior Editor, Julius Schwartz. "Julie," as he is fondly called, has been at ***DC Comics*** for over 40 years. At one time or another he has edited just about every book we've ever published and helped nurture the talents of some of your favorite writers. And so, as we celebrate our 50th Anniversary year and pay tribute to all of the ***DC*** legends, I know you'll join me in wishing Julie a very happy 70th birthday on June 19th!

Next month we'll announce the winner of the ***"Name This Column"*** contest. Good luck to all of you who sent in entries!

Linda Robak
Advertising and Sales Manager

DC Trivia...

Well, there sure is no shortage of ***DC Trivia*** experts out there in fandom!! Bob Greenberger and I spent hours sorting through all of the postcards that have poured in from places as far away as Hawaii and England. We even received one from a fan in Australia! Because so many of you answered the questions correctly in our second contest, we had a drawing to determine the winner. I would like to thank everyone who sent in entries. Some of your postcards have been fantastic!

This month's winning entry came from ***Brian Walker*** of Lexington, Kentucky. Brian won a collection of ***Who's Who,*** with the first issue autographed especially for him by Len Wein, Bob Greenberger, and a variety of artists whose work is included in the book. Because Brian mentioned he is a big fan of ***The Shadow War of Hawkman,*** we're also including an autographed ***Hawkman*** poster. Brian correctly answered the following questions:

1. Name the story, title, issue number, and date that introduced the parallel worlds concept.
"Flash of Two Worlds," ***The Flash #123,*** *September 1961.*
2. What is the single weakness of Earth-Two's ***Green Lantern?***
Wood.
3. Boston Brand—***Deadman***—has a circus star brother. Can you name him?
Cleveland Brand.

Congratulations, Brian!

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